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State Parks' Report on Future Parks For Central Valley Ready for Release

Input from Valley Residents Provided Basis for Vision Plan

WHO: Ruth Coleman – Director, California State Parks

Ken Murray – Mayor, City of Redding

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WHAT: Release of the "California State Parks' Central Valley Vision".

Over the past two years, State Parks has conducted an extensive public outreach, holding town-hall style meetings across the State, from Redding to Bakersfield, asking Valley residents for recommendations on what kinds of special places they want to preserve and protect as future parks, recreation, historic and cultural sites. This was done because the Central Valley is growing rapidly, yet remains one of the most underserved areas in the State. This report outlines what kind of parks Valley residents said they want for the future.

Director Coleman will release and discuss the report.

Others will discuss how it specifically applies to their areas of the Central Valley, and how partnerships with all concerned, public and private, are critical to future planning.

WHEN: 11:00 AM – Friday May 26, 2006

WHERE: Sundial Bridge; adjacent to the Turtle Bay Exploration Park 1-800-887-8532

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